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Pumpkin spice everything, college football and changing leaves.

The signs are everywhere and today (Wednesday, Sept. 22) marks the first official day of fall.

This throwback photo of the Omega Bridge is from the fall of 1959. The bridge was completed in 1951, among many other infrastructure projects needed to continue the Lab's shifting national security mission after the end of World War II.

Years earlier, in the fall of 1942, Los Alamos was chosen as the site for the then-secret lab to create the world's first atomic bombs. Wartime director J. Robert Oppenheimer suggested the location because he had visited the area as a young man and was familiar with its remote and beautiful setting.

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